last evening. Flynn seemed in good spirits. He

as "the Boss of the County Democracy and the King of the Contractors," and said that he had no ambition to be known as either. The story that

he was manipulating with John O'Brien to get control of the contracts for building the entire Aqueduct he denied, as well as the statement that he was engaged in the work of compelling all the contractors and sub-contractors to take their supplies from him. As to his trial he desired to say nothing further than to declare that his innocence would be established in good time and that the Mayor and others were engaged in a conspiracy to capture the Department of Public Works.

THE CHARGES AGAINST THE MAYOR.

Richard S. Newcombe said last evening that

the charges against Mayor Grace were nearly ready for

transmission to Governor Hill. What their nature is he declined to say. It is known that they will cover a good

many of the Mayor's official acts. Those who are pre-sumed to be interested in them say that the charges are sufficiently grave almost to certainly compel the Gov-ernor to direct an investigation of them. It is probable that the charges will be on the way to the Governor by Tuesday.

POISONING PEOPLE BY WHOLESALE.

MRS. ROBINSON'S SICKLY RELATIVES.

EVIDENCE ACCUMULATING AGAINST HER-POISON

AT A PIONIC.

BOSTON, Aug. 13 (Special).—Information derogatory to the reputation of Mrs. Robinson, of Somerville, sus-

pected of poisoning her own family, is pouring in and

the Chief of Police will have about forty witnesses

when the case comes to trial. There is strong pre-

sumptive evidence that Mrs. Robinson has caused the

death of at least seven persons by poison, beginning with her husband, who died in 1882. The next death

was that of her daughter Emma, who died at the age

of ten, in 1884. Her brother, Prince A. Freeman, who

went to live with Mrs. Robinson after the death of his wife, died in June, 1885. Mr. Freeman's two children

Elizabeth B., and Thomas A., dled in 1885 and 1886.

Elizabeth Robinson, age twenty-four years and daugh-

ter of the prisoner, died last February and Willie J.

Robinson, her son, age twenty-two, died yesterday. An old man, one Sleeper, died at her house two or

three years ago under suspicious circumstances. A different physician was called in each case. A "Jour-

nal " reporter interviewed all of the physicians who

were called to the Robinson house and they all unbesitatingly express their belief that poison was used in

Robinson may be responsible for the poisoning of upward of 100 people at the Methodist Church

which occurred last June. It was reported to J. Tyler Hicks, the Charleston caterer who jurnished the ice-erenm for the festival, to day, that Mrs. Robinson was

at the ice cream. This statement is also contradicted

but it is possible that Mrs. Robinson furnished cake, in

CROSSING THE OCEAN IN A DAY.

MR. DOUGHERTY'S PADDLES FOR SWIFT VESSELS-GREAT SPEED ANTICIPATED.

trial trip to New-Orleans to prove the practicability of

built entirely of wood. Its weight, without the engine

will be about forty-five tons, and when it has the engine and 250 passengers on board, its draft will be less than

THE WRECK OF THE PROLIC.

that there were four persons on board the Froite wh

she capsized yesterday. They were William L. Hayden,

the owner of the boat, his two sons, Frederick and Ed-

children. Mr. Laming was twenty-four years old. He

was a photographer in Dorchester, and was married and

It seems that no one was lost from the schooner Ore

VITRIOL MISIAKEN FOR WATER.

Moxic Manufacturing Company to obtain something whereby to quench his thirst, Descrying a carboy

standing in one corner and supposing it to contain min-eral spring water he kneit down, lifted the box and took a copious draught of the liquid. It proved to be not

mineral water but vitriol. Maddened by the pain he ejected the fluid from his mouth but not before it had burned his tongue, the and chin and mouth in a horrible manner. Fortunately, he swallowed but a little of the vitriol, so that his recovery is probable although his suf-forings were intense.

A PROPOSED MAINE LABOR PARTY.

form a labor party use not been given up. A circular has been sout to 5,000 veters in the Pirst Congressional

has been sent to a,000 vetors in the first congressional instrict asking if the receiver is in favor of calling a mass convention to nominate a Congressional and county ticket. The tate of the project will depend upon the nature of the replies. The Kuights of Labor as an organization will not be to the nevenent.

MR. MODONALD CALLED TO WASHINGTON,

INDIANAPOLIS, Aug. 13 .- Senator McDonald

was the xpectedly called last evenlug to Washington by a dispatch, said to be from one of the Department heads,

and the rumor is current that Mr. McDonald has been affored a place in the Cabinet. Congressman Masson

NINE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-NINE BALLOTS.

Congressional Convention has made no change in its

vote. Nine hundred and thirty-nine ballots have been taken, and all the same—Heard 43, Yeaman 28, Cospiove 32.

FALSE REPORTS ABOUT COLORADO.

DENNER, Aug. 15.—The Chamber of Commerce to day sent out a densit of the sensational reports that the grain needs and catefringes of Colorado have been devastated by drouth.

NR. SINGERLYS ENTERPRISE.

PRESENTED AND 13 (Special)—cround has been broken in the borthwestern section of the city for the creation of slay six dwelling houses by william M. Singerty, of The Beard. As soon as these are completed thirty five other dwellings will be created by him in the same section. They wall rent for \$16 to \$22 a month.

TELEGRAPHIC NOTES.

PORTLAND, Me., Aug. 13,-The attempt to

LOWELL, Mass., Aug. 13 (Special),-William H. Johnson yesterday went into the laboratory of the

Boston, Mass., Aug. 13.-It is now learned

ne, and 175 or 180 feet long on deck, and will be

NEW-YORK, SATURDAY, AUGUST 14, 1886.

WHY CUTTING WAS CONVICTED OF LIBEL.

ME REPEATED HIS OFFENCE-HIS NEWSPAPER CIR-CULATED IN MEXICO. CITY OF MEXICO, Aug. 13, via Galveston .-

The Diario Official, the Government organ, to-day contains important documents regarding the Cutting case, netuding the full text of the decision of Judge Zubia, at Pasol del Norte, which show clearly and unmistakably that the Court held Mr. Cutting for a crime begun on Mexican soil and continued simultaneously in Texas and Mexico.

This puts a new phase on the case, as it shows that

Judge Zubia regarded the case as one continuous act. In passing sentence on Mr. Cutting the judge said that the basis of the criminal proceeding against the defendant was first proof before him that he committed an offence classed as a crime by law, evidence of which was afforded beyond dispute by a publication which appeared in El Centinela on June 6 last, a paper published on Mexican soil; secondly, that although it was true there was an act of conciliation which would have satisfied the offended party had it been complied with, it was also true that this act of conciliation was not fulfilled and, therefore, the crime still stands; third, the proof of lack of compliance with the act of conciliation is found in a communication printed by Cutting in the Ei Paso Sunday Heraid, in which he renews his defamatory charges against Medina, at the same time publishes an le in El Centinela on Mexican soil in which he suppresses capital letters and puts the name of Medina in microscopic type in order to make its reading difficult; fourth, the renewal of the charges not constitute a new offence, but confirmation of previous charges; fifth, that this being so, the criminal responsibility

be punished with a different penalty than that which corresponds to the first publication. The large further says that even supposing, without ommitted in Texas, the fact that Cutting had in E! Paso del Norte copies of the El Paso Sunday Herald, of which

of Cutting arose from the publication in El Centinela

which was renewed in the Texas paper. his renewal or

ratification not constituting a new crime which should

del Norte copies of the El Paso Sunday Herald, of which Medina complained and which were by order of the ceutt seized on the premises of Cutting on Mexican soil, constitutes properly a consummation of crime according to the penal code. Judge Zubia lays special emphasis on the fact that Cutting actually circulated on Mexican soil his renewal of the libel published in Texas. This renewal of the libel published in Texas is an effence, and were the case reversed, would be punishable under the present law in Texas.

* A. P. Cushing, an American lawyer, sums up Judge Zubia's decision thus: "Mr. Cutting was convicted of repetition of a libel first published in Mexico, and it was the distribution of the same in Texas, for which he then brought over and distributed in Mexico, and it was the distribution of the same in Texas, for which he was convicted, the libel having been read by the statute of the State of Chi-huahua. Mr. Cutting pleaded in bar to the jurisdiction of the Mexican court, that the paper had been printed in Texas, He did not, however, deny that the paper had been eliculated on the Mexican slee, which was the fact, numerous copies having been seized there by order of the court. This aspect of the case takes away the phase of a conflict of the law of the two countries. The publication of the full text of Judge Zubla's decision is regarded here as putting the case out of international controversy."

STILL WAITING AT WASHINGTON. WHAT THE STATE DEPARTMENT IS NOT DOING-NO FRESH DEVELOPMENTS.

Washington, Aug. 13 (Special).-The report that it has been decided to send a special envoy to Mexico to confer with the Government of that Republic in regard to the Cutting case and its legal aspects was denied at the State Department to-day both public in Figure 2 by Screening State Department to-day both by Secretary Bayard and Assistant Secretary Porter. The latter said that no such action has been even suggested. While it is thus easy to ascertain that the State Department is not doing a certain thing in the Cutting case it seems to be hard to find out what the Department is doing about it. The truth probably is that Mr. Bayard desires to conceal from the country, if possible, the struggies he is making to escape from the awkward, not to say humiliating, position in which he has placed himself by his own inconsiderate, hasty and unwarranted demand for the release of Cutting before he had demanded and obtained a statement of the reasons for his imprisonment.

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A MONSTER SOCIALIST MEETING. FIFTY THOUSAND WORKINGMEN TO ASSEMBLE IN

BRUSSELS-ENGLISH SOCIALISTS. BRUSSELS, Aug. 13 .- It is believed that no less than 50,000 workmen will attend the Socialist meeting next Sunday authorized by the Burgomaster on condition that the parade to and from it avoided the vicinity of the King's palace. It is also thought that nearly that number of men will take part in the procession to the meeting. The procession will pass along all the principal streets and boulevards, excepting those near the

King's palace. Six thousand soldiers have been detailed to guard the route of the procession from disorder. Six thousand piter troops will be stationed at the garrison to be ready for emergencies. Six hundred policemen will be stationed along the line of march. All the garrisons in the neigh-berhood of Brussels have been ordered to be kept in readmess to go to the capital at a moment's notice on

LONDON, Aug. 13.-Williams and Mainwaring, the So letic meeting at the junction of Bell-st, and the Edge "obstructing the streets" and fined \$100 each, with the alternative of paying the fine or serving two mouths imprisonment. They were given until Tuesday next to wake up their minds.

NEWS NOTES FROM LONDON.

SHORT HOURS OF LABOR.—The proposed Inauguration of about time in the Lancashire cotton mills will not be sarried out. Only one-third of the mill owners expressed willingness to reduce the time, and at a meeting of spinners at Manchester to-day it was resolved to abandon the idea.

MR. RITCHIE RE-ELECTED.—C. T. Ritchie, president of the Local Government Board, has been re-elected to Par-jament for the St. George's in-the-East division of Jower Hamlets, by a majority of 888.

THE PLUNDER OF A BRITISH ARMY.—The loot secured by the British in their campaign in Burman was sold at suction in Calcutts. The competition was spirited and the sale realized 100,000 rupees.

ROME, Aug. 13 .- To-day 131 new cases of cholers and 63 deaths were reported at Barletta, 36 new Thieste, Aug. 13.—Seventeen new cases of cholera and 5 deaths were reported here to-day.

FORTY MEN PERSON IN A MINE.

London, Aug. 13 .- A dispatch from Leigh. Lancashire, -states that a terrible explosion occurred this imorning in the Woodend Collery at that place.
One hundred and forty miners were below at the time
and many of them were shockingly burned. Two
corpses were soon recevered from the mine. A dispatch from Leigh says that forty miners perished by the
Suplosion.

MEETING OF THE BRITISH CABINET. LONDON, Aug. 13 .- The Cabinet met this afternoon and remained in season two hours and a half.
All the Ministers were present except Lord Ashbourne,
Lord Chancellor of Ireland.

The Cabinet decided, among other things, to appoint Royal Commission to inquire into the Belfast riots. The Cabinet finally approved the Queen's speech, and Lord Salisbury will go to Osborne on Sunday to authorite to Her Majesty. A majority of the member a of the Cabinet were in favor of proroguing Parliament until behvary unless unlooked for events in Preinad should bake an autumn assion necessary. Sir Michael Hicksfeet, Chief Secretary for Ireland, expressed confidence in the Government's ability to preserve order without aving recourse to special legislation.

MARRIAGE OF CHRISTINE NILSSON. Paris, Aug. 13.-Christine Nilsson was mar-Med to-day to Count de Casa Mirands, of Spain. The marriage was performed in this city and thy coremony

THE REASONS OF MEXICO. | was private as possible. The married people start for spend their honeymeen.

THE BELFAST RIOTERS QUIET.

SOLDIERS IN POSSESSION OF THE CITY-LIQUOR STORES TO BE CLOSED. BELFAST, Aug. 13 .- Rain continued to fall to-day keeping the streets clear of people. The authorities cordered all the taverus closed at 5 o'clock this evening, and will keep them closed until 10 o'clock on

Monday morning.

No more deaths have taken place among the persons wounded in the recent riots. The military have control of the city, and their presence has inspired a better feel-

The excitement occasioned by the riots has been rerived by an outrage committed by the Orangemen of rived by an outrage committed by the Orangemen of Queen's Island upon a Catholic named Johnson. The latter was returning to his home from work when he was selzed by the Orangemen and given a coat of tar and feathers. The Catholica are very indigent at the outrage and vow vengeance against the perpetrators. Five hundred additional policemen arrived to-day. Since Saturday fifty seriously wounded patients have been treated at the Royal Hospital. Two hundred more have been cared for at private sorgeries, and it is estimated that probably 300 others received wounds in the riots whose cases have not been reported.

WILD WESTERN STORMS.

HURRICANES OF WIND AND RAIN. THE DROUTH BROKEN IN A VIOLENT MANNER-

DEATHS FROM LIGHTNING. CHICAGO, Aug. 13 .- The long drouth was broken in many places in Southwestern Iowa and South-ern Illinois yesterday. But the break was of so violent a character that the fears are that more harm than good was done. Special dispatches from towns along the line of the Burlington road in Iowa-which passes through the best of the corn country-indicate that the storm was of great severity, the wind and sweeping rain combining to produce great hurt to trees and crops. Prom Creston, 100 miles from Council Bluffs, the report is that the rain came too late to do any good. From Mount Pleasant, thirty miles west of Eurlington, the corn was blown flat to the ground, and its present condition Is worse than it was before. The news from Spring-field, in this State, was to the effect that the storm has done irreparable damage to the corn, though it will revive the grass and insure fall pasturage for stock. The reports from along the Rock Island road are much to the same effect. Other places in Southern Illinois were visited by the wind and rain and houses, further west and southwest no reports of a general rain

tunderboit during a rain-storm this morning. The boilt struck a telegraph pole that stood against the wait of the building, ran in on the switchboard of the telegraph instruments, and went out of the window on the other side of the office, taking the glass, sash and all with it. A messenger boy who was sitting on the table on which the telegraph instrument was fastened was thrown ten or tweive feet through the open door and knocked insensible, and the telegraph operator, whose hand was on the keyboard at the time, had the right arm paralyzed and was partially stamped. The telegraph apparatus was melted, the table thrown across the room and all of the occupants of the apartment were stunned and partially deafened by the shock. Frank McClond, Beard of Trade grain sampler, said, that the bolt looked like a round ball of fire about as large as a man's head. It shot in as far as the table and disappeared with a flash, leaving the crowd standing boit upright, with their limits rigid and their cars ringing remailly. Mr. McClond was quite acaf when he appeared on the board later in the day and the ringing in his ears had not ceased. The office took fire from the bolt, but the flames were speedfly extinguished.

day and said that 102 families in their vicinity had eft destitute by a destructive hallstorm in July last and that mortgages on their property would at once be foreclosed unless they could obtain assistance. There yet remains \$18,900 of the Crelone Fund and the Governor will probably appropriate this to the relief of

HURRICANES IN THE WEST. SPECTATORS BURIED UNDER A CIRCUS TENT-TOWNS CAUGHT IN THE STORMS.

St. Louis, Aug. 13 .- A violent windstorm, which was almost a hurricane, passed over the city last evening. The storm came from the north and passed down the river, lasting for about half an hour. Numer-ous smokestacks, awnings and outbuildings were blows lown. At East St. Louis the storm struck the approach 150 fact of the woodwork on the north side and 60 feet low. The debtis was cleared away in time to permit passenger trains to pass over. Reports from river points above and below here say that the storm was un usual'y severe.

During the wind storm last night a large double icehouse at Mitchell, Madison County, Ill., was blown down, and four tramps who had taken refuge in the building were killed. The building was about haif full of ice, and was raised to the ground. This morning search for the bodies was made and two were recovered

body. The remaining two bodies are still under the ice and timbers.
A dispatch from Edina, Mo., says: "Sells Brothers' circus exhibited here yesterday and an immense crowd was in attendance. At the afternoon performance, which had just begun, a tremendous windstorm came up, tearing the immense canvas from the poies. The whole fell to the ground, burying great numbers of men, women and children beneath the canvas and creating a panic which resulted in a number of persons being seriously injured. "Steve" Stout, of Novelty, had three ribs broken. James Withrow, of this city, was badly ent in the head. Two women had their lers broken. Sayeral children were slightly injured and a number of others were bruised and trampled upon."

KEGKUK, Jowa, Aug. 13.—A harricane passed over

this city last evening, doing great damage to buildings and levelling fences and trees. Numbers of business houses were unroofed and the spire of the First Baptist Church was blown down. Considerable loss was en-tailed in the lumber district.

BURLINGTON, Iowa, Aug. 13.—This city was visited by an exceedingly violent thunder and wind storm last evening. The storm came from the west and lasted about an hour, though the wind's fury slackened within twenty minutes from the time it first struck the city. During that time, however, it wrought great damage among the buildings, fences, trees and shrubbery in the city. The west walls of the Steam Supply Company's building was blown down; the plate glass front of building was blown down; the plate glass front of Long Brothers' extensive dry-goods store was demolished, a woman being severely cut by the glass; Wyman & Rand's furniture and carpet establishment, and Donalue's hardware establishment were partially unroofed, while a great number of caimneys were toppled from housetops. Some of the strests on the hills were in places almost blocked by trees blown down and branches wrenched from others. It is also rumored that Creaton has been almost "wiped out," and Mt. Pleasant damaged.

Houston, Tex., Aug. 13.—At noon yesterday during a

H OUSTON, Tex., Aug. 13,-At noon yesterday during a rainstorm a party of mon were standing in front of James Lyle's liquor store when a bolt of lightning struck the building. A negro, one Taylor, was struck and instantly killed, the lightning striking him on the head, running through his body and coming out at the right foot. Mr. Lyie was knocked senseless and it is thought that he will die. Several men standing noar received slight shocks.

TWO MEN INJURED BY A COLLISION. WATERTOWN, Aug. 13 .- What might have seen a serious railroad accident occurred on the Cape Vincent brauch of the Rome, Watertown and Ogdens burg Railroad in this city this afternoon. The New-York train for the St. Lawrence River, consisting of six coaches, ran into a number of freight cars that were standing on a side track for repairs, through a mispland switch. The train was running at a speed of about ten piles an hour when it crashed into a platform ear, which was piled on the top of the engine. Two men at work repairing a car on the same track were draged several rods, and one of them, Ira Vancoughet, had both legs out off. He will probably die.

AN ATTEMPTED MURDER IN PORTLAND. PORTLAND, Me., Aug. 13 .- Timothy Short was serving liquor in his store to-day when suddenly a pistol shot was heard. Short was found behind the bar

by Charles C'Neil. The cause of the shooting appears to be O'Neil's jealousy of his wife whom he had accused of being too intimate with Short. Tuesday O'Neil made an assault upon his wife. Short will probably die.

RAILEOAD INTERESTS.

CONFRONTED WITH RATE PROBLEMS. RATE-CUITING DEMANDING THE ATTENTION OF THE

WESTERN AND EASTERN LINES. The railroad rate situation is exciting considerable anxiety. While trunk line officers here say that the cutting of castbound freight rates is not as severe as before the recent Chicago meeting, they admit that irregularities are plentiful and that unless they are has been a long standing complaint of the Chicago roads that the St. Louis lines were diverting business by undertariff. The lake lines connected with the trunk lines have hotly competed for the traffic between Chicago and Buffalo and there are charges that the rail rate cast of

have hotly competed for the traffle between Chicago and Buffalo and there are charges that the rail rate cast of Buffalo has been freely cut. Complaints of cutting have been ledged with Commissioner Bianchard, of the Central Traffle Association, or with Arbitrator Fink, of the Trunk Line Commission, by nearly every line against one or more of its neighbors. It is hoped, however, that the conference here on next Wednesday between the Central Traffle Association of Western roads and the trunk lines will result in the adoption of new measures to remove existing evils.

Commissioner Fink and yesterday that there was little chance of any immediate trouble in the trunk line pool growing out of the altered relations of the Baltimore and Ohlo and the Pennsylvania roads. The question has naturally come up as to the percentage enloyed by the Baltimore and Ohlo in the westbound pool now that it has been compelled to resort to a canal rothe for the shipment of its freight. But Fink has discussed the matter informally with officers of the two companies, but no demand has been made by the Pennsylvania for a reconsideration of percentages. Under the presidents contract new conditions, either increasing or distinshing the carrying capacity of any pool road, justify a revision of tonnue allottaness. Under the presidents in the percentage of the Baltimore and Ohlo is so small of per cent; that it is hoped that the revenues of a larger traiffe will not be dissipated by any quarrel over the smaller traffic. The question does not call for immediate treatment, as it can be decided when the monthly settlement of pool balances comes up as well as now. It is certain, however, that if the Baltimore and Ohlo does not receive its full allotment in the pool it will feel at liberty to make what rates it pleases to and from points which it can reach directly or indirectly. Trunk hae officers, however, express the opinion that the deare of the roads is to preserve it a peace if possible by any reasonable concessions.

of Directors of the Third Avenue Ratiroad Company, heat a few days ago, it was uranimonsly voted to pass the quarterly dividend usually declared at this time. It was explained to the directors by the company's officers that the earnings of the road had not been such as The Signal Service office here received reports at 10 o'clock to-day, showing that the storm yesterday evening was accompanied by less rain than was indicated in the special dispatches. In the upper Mississippi valley the precipitation was from one-fourth to one-half an inch; at Springfield, Ill., the fall was an inch; at Indianapolis, three-quarters of an inch, and through Iowa and Nebraska about half an inch.

The State Grain Inspector's branch office, at Centrave, and Sixteenth-st., narrowly escaped being descriped, and the occupants missed being killed by a thunderboit during a rain-storm this morning. The bolt struck a teigraph pole that stood against the wait occidents of the received and approach. It is estimated that the labor troubles on the Thirf Accute road since April institute occidents and a quarter of a million of dollars. cent, as there had been many unforseen expenses the outgrowth of the recent strike. Some little opposition was developed in the meeting by the surgestion that the dividend should be entirely passed, but manily a motion to that effect received amanimous approval. It is estimated that the labor troubles on the Third Avenue road since April last have cost it not less than a quarter of a million of dollars. Its troubles are now, to all appearance, over, and the officers all declare that the line is doing a larger business than ever before in its history. The stock, too, is quoted at its highest figures, his hast sales being at 300. It was declared at the directors' meeting that the next dividend was almost certain to be declared, as there was already on hand enough funds in reserve for that purpose to pay 2 or 3 per cent. The cable improvements made by the read on its One-humbred-and-twenty-fifth street and Tenth Avenue branch lines are already effecting a considerable saving in expenses. The new complayes are said to be giving abundant satisfaction, and not one has been displaced to make room for any of the recent strikers.

successful, Russell sage-said on Thursday that the company wished to test it in the winter moutus before taking so decisive a step as applying it to all lines. In winter the percentage of operating expenses is largely increased by the cost of keeping the tracks clear of show, the additional consumption of coal required for keeping the fires of the engines burning all night, etc. If the experiment in the months of severe weather justifies the action, there is intic doubt that the reduction will be made. No expectation of it at present is entertained by any director.

MODE REAL ESTATE FOR THE PENNSYLVANIA. The Pennsylvania Railroad Company has within a few days added a tract of ten acres to its real for the purchase of the property have been priding I some time but a price could not be agreed upon. I rullroad finally had sincteen lots condemned, the countsatoners appointed by the court fixing the price is 10,000. The owner appealed and prolonged diagant seemed imminent, when the Radicad Company mades offer of \$455,000 for the cultic tract known as Mou Pleasant and it was accepted. The Gilbert estate whought for \$45,000. It is not known what use the cot pany intends to make of the property.

MISCELLANEOUS RAILWAY INTELLIGENCE. PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 13 (Special) .- There is onsiderable uneasiness in ratiroad circles over a probthe effect it must have on the trunk line pool. Those who profess to know say that cuts by the Pennsylvania wil disturb the whole trunk line situation. A meeting of the Executive Committee of the trunk line pool will be held on Wednesday next.

CHICAGO, Aug. 13 (Special),-It was said here to-day that formal complaint had been made to Commissioner their out rates on grain, and that they were still taking it to the scaboard and New-England points at reductions of from 3 to 5 cents on a hundred pounds. Commissioner Blanchard to-day denied that any such complaint had been made, but the Lake Shore road had asked John Agent Moore to go over the recents to-day to disprove the intimation that the road had cut the rates. Pirrsnuno, Aug. 13 (Special).-A telegram from Phila-

the Pennsylvania road, had decided to take steps soon

MR. TAYLOR GOT ADVICE FROM WASHINGTON. CHICAGO, Aug. 13 .- A dispatch from Washandidate for Governor of that State, is also United States Pension Agent at Knoxville. He was not present at the State Convention. The reason for his absence was the recent order of the President forbidding Federal officials to take conspicuous parts in politics. Mr. Taylor desired to attend the Convention, and shortly before it met wrote to the Commissioner of Pensions asking for advice on the subject. To this letter Colonel McLean, acting Commissioner of Pensions, sent the following re-

In reply to your letter I have the honor to inform you that, in pursuance of the linerior, it is better for you not to attend the nominating convention. While no doubt exists as to your good faith in the proposed action, your presence at the Convention will place you and the Administration, if not in a false position, in one subject to misconception.

PROVINCETOWN, Mass., Aug. 19, -The schooner J. E. Rowley arrived to-day from Quere with 1,000 quintals of cottlen, making eight arrivals this season, with a total fare of 141,000 quintals, s The schooner Bartlett, from Quinero, reports that she speke July 28 the Provincetown schooner Jessie F. Matheson with 2,200 quintals; the Lizzie Mathosen, B.000 quintals; the Willie McKay, 2,700 quintals; the foorgie O. Palne, 800 quintals; Thereas I, Baker, I, 300 quintals; Lottle Byrns, 1,000 quintals; Horecas, Wensh, 1,100 quintals; Pierence, 1,000 quintals; Ada K. Damen, 1,400 quintals; Lottle Byrns, 1,000 quintals; Ada K. Damen, 1,400 quintals; Lottle Birls, 1,800 quintals; G. W. Bentley, 1,500 quintals, and Leon Switt, 2,700 quintals.

CRIMES AND CASUALTIES,

NARROW ESCAPE OF A RAILWAY TRAIN, NARROW ESCAPE OF A RAILWAY TRAIN, WILLIAMPORT, AND TRAIN, WILLIAMPORT, AND I.S. An attempt was made last night to wreck the passenger train on the Philadelphia and feasing Railroad due here a little after midnight. The attempt was made at a point three miles from this city. The width of the passenger train reached it before a freight train owad had the passenger train reached it before a freight train which coming shead of the passenger train, was thrown off the track and several cuts of coal were completely wroaked. The argine tirned upside down. The engine tirned upside down. The engine tirned upside down. The engine tirned upside down. The sugments at the except of the passengers had to be transferred at the except of the week. CARLISLE, Aug. 13 (Special) Lake EMBEZZLEMENT.

THOUGHT TOADSTOOLS WERE MUSHROOMS.

PHTShil 20. Aug. 13.—Mrs. George Benkenhart and he eight year old daughter died at their home at Bakerstow.
Penn. yesterday from cating toadsiools which they though were mushrooms.

LYNCHING OF A WHITE MAN IN THE SOUTH.

MACOS, Ga., Aug. 13.—John Moore, white, was tynched here
last night at midnight. He was hanged in front of the house
where me is charged with inving outlaged a gril.

with a bullet in his back. He said that he had been shot THE SQUIRE INQUIRY OVER.

AN ADJOURNMENT SOUGHT IN VAIN.

MP. STRAHAN WANTS THE INDICTMENT TRIED FIRST-THE MAYOR CLOSES THE HEARING. The Squire hearing before the Mayor has osed. The defence contrived to put the prosecution in such a position as to make them either walt until the trial of Flynn and Squire is over, or, by closing now, to shut off the defence's testimouy as to the letter and thus give the Governor an excuse for dismissing the charges. Mr. Strahan, as usual, came in late yesterday. Then he spent some time in consultation with Colonel Ingersoll. The Corporation Counsel sat in his usual seat beside the Mayor. Messrs. Peckham and Miller were present in their capacity of prosecuting attorneys.
When the Mayor called the case, Mr. Strahan called
J. B. Adamson, one of the Commissioners of Accounts.
He was asked the circumstances under which he presented the charges. Mr. Peckham objected, but on the Corporation Counsel's advice his objection was overthe Department of Public Works about a year ago, but league, Mr. Snearman. He did not know much about was paying Messrs. Peckham and Miller, but an object ted to answer whether or not he had retained these counsel, and sail it was done by Mr. Shearman. He was then excused.

he was the Mayor's private sceretary. He was chief clerk in the Mayor's office in 1885. Richard J. Morrisson Mayor's stenographer. It was White's duty to take down ness was then asked out of what appropriation Mr. of the appropriation for the Mayor's office showing that \$30,000 was appropriated in 1885 Tois line of evidence was intended to show that the Mayor was guity of precisely the same

all this as wholly immaterial, but the Mayor admitted W. William J. Lyon, Auditor of the Controller's Department, was called to produce the payrolis of skilled laboritis in the Department of Finance. The purpose of their nutroduction was to show that the Controller had committed this crime also. He had appointed men in one capacity and transferred them to other places without having them submitted to a civil service examination, continuous to pay them out of the appropriation for the work to which they were lirst assigned. Mr. Stranan said he intended to show that what was used against Mr. Squire, rendering him unfit to hold offer would equally apply to every head of department in the city government from the Mayor down. Mr. Peckham objected, and the Mayor sustained his point, saying that he would admit anything referring to any other. Under this miling the payroll proving that Mr. With had been thus firegularly parl and employed was admitted.

At this point Themes C. Action, ex-Assignant Treasurer

afforded him.

Mr. Peckham opposed the motion. He said that this was an independent hearing. Its duty was one thing; the duty of the criminal course quite another. It might well be that a man would be guilty in this cours, being proved undit for the office he was holding, and yet be

"Have you anything else to say f" asked the Mayor,
"Not at present," replied Mr. -trahan.
"Then I declare the case closed," and the Mayor struck the deax before him to either his words. The flering to wager \$1,000 that Grace was out of office b ore Squire. The Mayor said he should have his repo

WILL THERE BE MORE INDICTMENTS! A BELIEF THAT \$30,000 HAS BEEN TRACED IN RE

LATION WITH SQUIRE'S CONFIRMATION. There are rumors that the Grand Jury will adict others than Squire and Figure in counce tion with the appointment and confirmation of squire. It is not doubted that money was used in 1884 to keep the combination of County Democracy and Republican Addresses "-old" for Thompson, who with his agents, believed that the Board could be held until Mayor Grace took office on January 1, 1885. It was not until Mr. Thompson became satisfied that Mr. Grace would not reappoint him that he consented that new arrangements should be made. Mr. Grace wanted Thompson to hold the place until after he took office, when he might appoint a commissioner without confirmation by the Board of Aldermen. He lid not positively refuse to appoint Thompson, but, or the other hand, he would not promise to do so, and this was finally accepted by Thompson and his friend as quivalent to a refusal. Then it was that Thompson one whom Mayor Edson might be induced to nominate. for Source with the idea that Thompson and the County firmed, while the County Democracy Aldermen had better understanding with reference to Tammany. Im mediately after the adjournment of the Board of Alder men following the confirmation of Squire, a mystifled reporter approached one of the Tammany Aldermen and

"What does this mean ! Who is Squire, and why did

"What does this mean? Who is Squire, and why did you vote for him?"
"It is all right," replied the Alderman with a laugh. "Squire is a friend of Ectson, and he guarantees that he will be inside of Tammany Hall within a month. Thompson is downed and Grace is beaten."

Fassing across the Aldermen's Chember to where Alderman Jachne and De Lacy were exchanging congratuations, the same questions were put by the reporter. Leaning forward and whispering in the ear of the questioner, Jachne said: "It is all right. Tammany Hall is worsted again. Bquire is Maurice il. Flynn's friend and Maurice and Thompson will run the Public Works Department."

The Councy Democracy Aldermen, with one exception, had stood by their organization, and most of their voices were transferred to Squire without voices were transferred to Squire without whispering the first the Tammany voices were believed who have some effect of the Tammany voices were believed to squire without reliad by Thompson, But there were an Century Democracy Alderman and five Republicans who were tooked unon as not above supplician, terrain it is that the Republicans studier of the Republicans who were tooked unon as not above supplician, terrain it is that the Republicans as the party leaders. The uncertain County Democracy Alderman was thought to have leadings toward making Hugh J. Grant, then an Alderman, the head of the Department of Public Works. The live Republican Aldermen who were standing by Thompson were the same when were standing by Thompson were the same."

who voted for the Brontway Railrand, and it was well inderstood that John Keenan acted as the "agont" in cachicase.

It is now believed that the Bistriet-Aiterray has traced a connection between the \$30,000 obtained by John O'Brien and Maurice B. Flyns from Geneticy & ta, on two checks in the latter part of December, 1854, and the five lepulacian Aldermen and their county Democracy associate, and that indictments are farthcoming. The wonk after the confirmation, John Keenad, who was never in tobus; health, was me by an aqualitance who remarked on his delicate appearance. Eccasion who remarked on his delicate appearance. Eccasion explained by who needed constant looking after to keep them straight, and this pulling and handing was enough to was only a man of from.

It was thought last evening in political circles that District-Atturney Martine had discovered something that he considered of importance in connection with the Squire-Flyni matter of the boodle. Alterney Martine had discovered something that he considered of importance in connection with the Squire-Flyni matter of the boodle. Alterney will not said alto the Consultant by the Consultant had not discovered something that he considered of importance in connection when you was not that the District-Attorney will not said alto your who may have been concerned in the Broadway franchise infiguity or the Squire-Flyni mater. Its dismissal of John M. Comma amazed the politicians who anow what a "poli Comma had as the cassodate of Mr. Martine, Justice White and others in the XXIII Assombly District. It looks as though the District-Attorney leader lost evening. "He has certainly shown much of nerve so far."

FLYNN IN A CHEERIPUL MOOD.

FLYNN IN A CHEERPUL MOOD, Maurice B. Flynn, John O'Brien and Richard S. Newcombe entered the Hollman House Cufe together

PRICE THREE CENTS.

SHOT HIS WIFE AND HIMSELF

DYING FROM THE EFFECTS OF HIS WOUND SUDDEN INSANITY OF A TRAVELLING SALESMAN

WHO WAS IN FINANCIAL TROUBLE. In a sudden fit of insanity, Charles Chase, of Brook-lyn, shot his wife and then himself yesterday morning, causing serious murry to the former and fatally wounding himself. He was thirty years old and had been employed as a travelling salesman by the Orange Judd Publishing Company of this city. About a month ago be lost his position and embarked in a private speculation with what money he had. It was unfortunate and he lost his savings. For the last two weeks he had been at home, and appeared despondent and moody at times. His family consisted of his wife, who is seven years his senior and three boys, the eldest about ten years old. Their home is at No. 31319 Tenth-st. near Sixth-ave., Brooklyn.

About 7 o'clock yesterday morning Mr. Chase sat down to his breakfast and his wife was arranging a part of her dress, sitting on the ice box outside the kitchen. Her husband said to her:

" Ducky, come and have a cup of coffee."

"I will in a minute," she responded. A moment later she heard a pistol shot and the bullet entered her left cheek. Her husband had shot her and then he walked into the kitchen and shot himself in the hoad. The servant girl who was in the front basement alarmed the neighbors and Dr. C. B. Fowler was summoned. He found Mrs. Chase lying on the ground bleeding profusely from the left ear. The blood was stanched and she was carried to her bedchamber. Mr. Chase was much more severely wounded in the left side of the head, the bullet entering the brain. He was insensible from the wound, but recovered consciousness in a short time and asked for a priest. He also wanted to see his wife. When an ambulance arrived it was decided to take him at once to the Long Island College Hospital. He made a strong resistance to this, and it took five men to carry him out of the house. A policeman was kicked in the face by the injured man. At the hospital the bullet was extracted but there was little hope that the wounded man would

jured man. At the hospital the bullet was extracted but there was little hope that the wounded man would live long. He was kept under the influence of opiates and could make no statement. At 4:30 p. m. he died. Mrs. Chase was treated at her home, Dr. Fowler being assisted by Dr. Jarvis Wight, of the hospital. The bullet had passed close to the carotid artery below the left car, and had passed through the soft palate and lodged in the right cheek. It was extracted and the hemorrhage was stopped with much difficulty. She is expected to recover.

Mrs. chase could give no explanation of her husband's action except that he had suddenly become insane. She said that he had not seemed like himself for a fortnight, but she had no suspicion that his mind was affected before the shooting. She denied that there had been any disagreement between them. The most alarming stories of the tragedy were spread about the neighborhood, and one which became current was that a man had shot his wife, his three children and himself, and that the bodies lay in a row in the street with bullet holes in their heads. The neighbors could give no reason for the desire of Mr. Chase to end the lives of himself and his wife, and so far as could be learned they had lived in entire agreement. Mr. Chase was formerly a Protestant and his wife a Roman Catholic, but he had recently announced bis purpose of accepting her faith. It was learned that Mr. Chase was in financial trouble and had promised to pay a bill last Saturday but was unable to meet it. The weapon with which the shooting was done was a British bull-dog revolver of seven chambers. It was found lying at the feet of the wounded man with two empty chambers. Mr. and Mrs. Chase were seen last by their neighbors, about 9 p. m, on Thursday, when they were walking together apparently in amicable conversation.

THE IRISH NATIONAL LEAGUE,

but it is possible that Mrs. Robinson furnished cake, in common with other members of the society, for the pienic. Upward of fifty people were poisoned then and vomited all night and everyloody attributed the cause to the ice cream which they ate. Mr. Hicks served several hundred gallons of the cream for other persons and no complaint was made. He has all along contembed that his cream let his place of oursiness all tight, and that if it was poisonous some one at the featival must have tampered with it. At all events, Mr. Hicks is investigating the report. Dr. Macheckine said at the time that the sick people had every appearance of having taken arsenie.

It has been learned that Mrs. Robinson owes money to a great many people, Jackson Caldwell, the furniture dealer of Somerville, says that he let her have, last October and December, furniture to fit up her house at West Somerville, He leased it to her and she was to pay for it gradually on instalments. He has found that she has at least six mortgages placed on this and other furniture was seized this forenoon. A money lender let Mrs. Robinson have some watches and clothes and was around maurning the loss to-day and trying to see what he could get back through the police. The woman shipped around without paying her rent, PATRICK EGAN SAYS THERE WILL BE NO SERIOUS DISSENSION AT THE MEETING.

CHICAGO, Aug. 13.-Patrick Egan, president of the Irish American National League, arrived in this city to-day and Michael Davitt this evening. Mr. Eran was asked to-day: "Do you expect much trouble

at the forthcoming convention i"
"Of course there may be some differences, but we apprehend nothing of a serious nature," he replied. PHTERURG, Aug. 13 .- An order for iron "Are there not differences and dissensions in New

plates was given to a rolling mill here resterday, by John Dougherty, of Mount Union, Penn., for use in an experiment which is expected to revolutionize travel by water. The plates are to be used by Mr. Dougherty "They are very trivial. New-York has its own little troubles ready for every convention." " It has been the impression that the local trouble and in constructing the folding paddles for a patent rapid the dissensions in outside States had their origin to transit steamboat which he is about to build on the A different sources, and that the split in Chicago began in the Ancient Order of Hibermans." When completed the boat will make a

"I don't think so. I believe that the trouble originated The boat is to be 33 feet wide, 165 feet long on the Alexander Sullivan. That is the short and the long of

Mr. Egan then stated that he did not think this seem ing split would injure the movement in America. It had and 250 passengers on board, its draft will be less than six inches. On each side of it will be two folding paddles, sinking deep into the water. The paddles will be open when going forward, so that they may move the largest possible body of water, but the change to the backward motion will, by the agency of springs, close the paddles and thus reduce the resistance to a minimum. There will also be under the centre of the vessel two propeiling poles, which are intended to drive the vessel through shoal water by striking the bottom of the river. Mr. Dougnerty calculates that his patent will so greatly increase the speed of traffic on the river that he will be able to make the trup from Pittsburg to New-Orleans and back in a week, the time now taken by the fastest boars to make the round trip to Chenimati. He is confident that he will be able to reduce the time occupied in grossing the Atlantic by the shortest route, that from Southampton to Habifax, to twenty-four hours, and that from New-Yark to Calculta to ten days. not done so yet. As a proof of the strength and vitality of the National League in America he would mention the fact that within the past month it had forwarded \$100,000 to Ireland, It was at first understood that the members of all frish national societies would be invited to take part in the convention, and that each delegation would be measured by the amount of its subscriptions to the parliamentary party, but he had issued a circular in when he had stated the fact pretty clearly that it was a convention of the National League and only properly aditated branches could be represented there. Mr. Egan further said that this, the third annual convention, was called for the purpose of cleeting officers and taking steps for more active support of Parsell's policy. He should not say and necept the position of president.

Mr. Egan did not have any idea as to who his probable successor might be, but it is said that Chicago will make a push to have a Chicagoan elected to the presidency and it is said either Sullivan or Finerty will be than. forwarded \$100,000

THE FIRE RECORD.

FIRES STILL RAGING IN WISCONSIN. ward, age fourteen and thirteen years respectively, and J. W. Laming. Mr. Hayden leaves a widow and three EAU CLAIRE, Wis., Aug. 13 .- The latest reports from the Chippewa fire districts were received om several woodsmen who arrived from Deer Tail, an say that no territory can escape the devastation. The It seems that no one was lost from the schooler Orgon, which also capsized. Captain Lewis, of the Oreron, who saw the lil-tated Frolic go down, said to-day: "After we had been put on ourschooner we saw a sloop yacht about twenty-five feet long, with the American cusign at her peak, roll over and sink. There were three men in the water swimming for their lives, and when two of them got within twenty varies of us they threw up their hands and we saw no more of them. The third man tried a little longer, but his strength soon failed him and he also went under." roken out afresh in a number of localities on the upper the escaped territory so far are the tracts along the Deer Tail toward the Sault Ste Marie, on which there is plenty of chippings and windfalls, which will offer the most combustible food for the flames, which are exmost combustible food for the flames, which are expected to reach that locality within a day or two. The settlements are sparse in that direction, and the loss will be confined to standing pine and hemicok.

On Yellow River, forty miles northeast of here, the fires have done irreparable damage. Hurlaut Brothers, of this city, lost their mill and a quantity of lumber. The fires are having their own way, but men are now stationed at the logging camps and the hay marshes to save those properties if possible. The lumber manufacturers and the Mutual Insurance Company, of this city, have sent an agent to the fire districts.

MILWALKER, W.S., Aug. 18.—Latest reports from the

MILWAUKEE, Wie., Aug. 18 .- Latest reports from the northern woods state that the danger is rapidly growing

less, and that the fires are subsiding for want of fuel. The work of relief is being actively pushed by the resi-dents of Green Bay.

LOSSES IN VARIOUS PLACES,

HASTINGS, Mich., Aug. 13 .- Fire broke out last evening in Newton's planing mill. The losses are as follows: Newton's planing mill and lumber yard, \$8,000; A. S. Merchant, \$3,000; Newton's Opera House and stere, \$8,000; E. J. Evans's tin shop, \$2,000; Dawson's two frame buildings, with Cartis's millinery store, two frame damines, with Carlo minery store, \$1,000; Brawn & Wright's clevator, \$5,000; Braudding's Oroquet Works, \$40,000; Hasting's Engine and Iron Works, \$10,000; Harlow & Waters's cloyator and warehouse, \$10,000 |
Fuller's bowl factory, \$500 | Dr. Burton's dwelling,
\$1,200 | Baker, Gray & Co's store, \$1,000, Total
\$07,900, The fotal insurance will not exceed \$40,000,
CLEVELAND, Onlo, Aug. 13 (Special).—The oil works of which burned about 12,000 barrels of oil and caused a loss of nearly \$75,000. Several immenso tanks worse a-lire at the same time and streams of burning oil ran in every direction. The greatest effort was also required to provent the burning oil from unning into the river, when would have carried destruction to a vast amount of property. Two workmen were severely injured. which burned about 12,000 barrels of oil and caused SEDALIA, Mo., Aug. 13.-The Democratic

DESTITUTION AMONG TEXAN PARMERS. FORT WORTH, Tex., Aug. 13 (Special) .- In response to the appeal of Governor Ireland in behalf of the people in the western countles who are destitute in consequence of the drouth, a movement has been started in many cities of the State to raise funds for the reed in many cities of the State to raise funds for the fa-lief of the sufferers. There is no little criticism of the Governor's action is issuing the proclamation, as most Texans think it will tend to keep out actual settlers of the State. For this reason funds for the relief of sufferors are being raised as quietly as possible, in most cases without eating public meetings. In Shaekleford County employment has been furnished by the County Consistences Court, by giving farmers work on the public roads. A fund of \$5,000 is being established to be loaned to the farmers without interest to enable them to buy seed and put in a wheat crop this fall. There are ten counties in the State where absolute nestitation prewat rent tor \$16 to \$27 a month.

TO BOYLOTT ANTI-LIQUOR CANDIDATES.

Puttablicities, Aug. 13 (special)—There was a secret meeting to day of the four liquor deniers besociations of this city at Industrial Art I fait. The meeting was called to take acron against the Law and direct Society and the Proplin-founds. It is believed that the members were requested to scratch all only liquor mon who may be chadidates for office at the coming election.